

MINUTES OF THE JUDICIAL AND LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE

DATE: June 5, 2017
 TIME: 1 p.m.
 PLACE: Room 115 Wood County Courthouse
 TIME ADJOURNED: 2:45 p.m.
 MEMBERS PRESENT: Chairman Bill Clendenning, Ed Wagner, Bill Leichtnam, Ken Curry, Dave LaFontaine
 OTHERS PRESENT: Peter Kastenholz and see attached list.

1. At 1 p.m., Chairman Clendenning called the meeting to order.
2. Public comments. None.
3. Moved by Wagner, seconded by LaFontaine, to approve the minutes of the May 5, 2017, Committee meeting. All ayes.
 Discussion had on the difference between the housing of individuals treating for AODA issues, which stopped with the closure of the 10th & Airport facility, and the treatment of these individuals, which continues and never stopped. The Health & Human Services Board has determined it will not be reopening the 10th & Airport CBRF. Judge Wolf may or may not continue to pursue the issue.
4. The Committee reviewed department reports and monthly voucher reports:
Moved by Curry, seconded by LaFontaine, to approve the reports and payment of vouchers of Branch I, II, and III, Child Support, Clerk of Courts, Register of Deeds, Family Court Commissioner, Corporation Counsel, District Attorney, and Victim/Witness. All ayes.
5. The Wood County Child Support Agency received an excellence in child support enforcement award for 2016.
6. There was one new notice of injury/claim filed with the County. The notice of injury and claim of Mary Jo Smits was reviewed by the Committee and will be forwarded to the county board.
7. There were no new animal claims against the County.
8. The Committee reviewed correspondence and legislative issues. Amy Sue Vruwink appeared on behalf of U.S. Representative Ron Kind's office.
 - a. Southeast Wood County Groundwater group report. The group has met 5 times now. Discussion of possible future projects were considered. The group is tracking what Portage County is doing. The group is a subcommittee of the CEED Committee and will be forwarding its minutes on to that committee.
 - b. Corporation Counsel memo entitled "Open Meeting Law: Specificity Required for Agenda Items" was reviewed by the Committee and will be submitted to the county board.

- c. Update from CEED Committee on wild parsnip. Land Conservationist Shane Wucherpfennig gave an update as to how his department has been pursuing the wild parsnip problem. Local farmer John Eron shared what is happening in Portage County related to wild parsnip and what the Farm Bureau is doing. Mr. Eron explained the importance of education and programming verses state imposed regulations. In Wood County the primary efforts right now are on mapping this and other invasive plants. It is expected that Wood County will join with other counties to seek funding for eradication grants.
9. County Board rules.
- a. Resolution to consolidate Human Services and Edgewater Haven into one department was reviewed and discussed. Supervisor Rozar explained how there are efficiencies that can be obtained by consolidating Edgewater Haven in with Norwood Health Center under the Human Services Department. **Moved by Leichtnam, seconded by Wagner, to support the resolution consolidating Human Services and Edgewater Haven into one department. All ayes.**
- b. Membership on Executive Committee and method of selecting committee chairs. Supervisor Clendenning explained his desire to have a 5-member Executive Committee elected directly by the county board with the Executive Committee then determining the membership of the other committees. Those other committees would determine via election their own chair. Clendenning will bring back one or more resolutions at the next meeting in support of his proposals. There were some questions and comments pertaining to Supervisor Clendenning's proposals.
10. Committee goals held off until next month.
11. Agenda items for the July 2017, meeting:
- Supervisor Clendenning's resolution(s) on modifying committee selection process and the membership on the Executive Committee.
 - Review committee goals.
12. The next committee meeting will be July 7, 2017, at 8:30 a.m.
13. Meeting adjourned by the Chairman at about 2:45 p.m.
- Minutes taken by Peter Kastenholz and approved by Ken Curry.

Kenneth Curry
Kenneth Curry, Secretary (signed electronically)

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DENNIS POLACH - WCB #14

Brandon Vreuwink - WCHSP

Sophie Rozar - visitor

DONNA ROZAR - CHAIR, H+HSC

LANCE PRAL - WCB

Brent Vreuwink Child Support

Joel Ebert - Land + Water Conservation

Shane Wehner/Fennig LWCD

John Eron Local Farmer

Angie Vreuwink U.S. Rep. Ron Kind